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1. THE EMBASSY IS CURRENTLY ATTEMPTING TO ENCOURAGE THE GOP TO ACT IN TIME TO AVOID PROHIBITION OF THE IMPORT OF PERUVIAN TUNA AFTER THE END OF THIS YEAR. WE HAVE MADE REPEATED INFORMAL EFFORTS TO ELICIT A PERUVIAN DECISION ON WHETHER THEY WILL SEEK A FINDING SINCE FIRST ADVISING THE GOP IN WRITING IN MID-MARCH OF THE REQUIREMENT FOR SUCH A FINDING. IN ADDITION WE NOW HAVE PREPARED AN AIDE MEMOIRE FOR PRESENTATION EARLY NEXT WEEK. THIS PAPER REVIEWS THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE MARINE MANNAL PROTECTION ACT, CITES THE NEED FOR ACTION BY PERU IF TUNA IS TO BE EXPORTED TO THE U.S. AFTER DECEMBER 31, AND OFFERS APPROPRIATE ASSISTANCE. AT PRESENT THERE IS STILL NO CLEAR FOCUS FOR A DECISION WITHIN GOP. WE WILL CONTINUE OUR EFFORTS DURING THE TIME REMAINING IN 1977. IN ORDER TO BE AS EFFECTIVE AS POSSIBLE EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT GUIDANCE ON THE FOLLOWING REPORT FOR TRANS-
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MISSION TO THE GOP.

2. STATE 248548 REPORTS PERUVIAN EMBOFF HUMBERTO URTEAGA'S ARGUMENT THAT PERUVIAN EXPORTS ARE PRIMARILY BONITO, WITH ONLY SMALL AMOUNT OF YELLOW-FIN TUNA. THIS IS THE VIEW OF SOURCES HERE AS WELL. STATE CABLE SAYS "APPROPRIATE INFORMATION FROM COMMERCE" WAS FURNISHED TO URTEAGA. WE WOULD APPRECIATE

RECEIVING THE SAME INFORMATION AS WELL AS THE BEST AND MOST RECENT FIGURES COMMERCE HAS ON YELLOW-FIN TUNA IMPORTS FROM PERU.

3. QUITO 4848 OUTLINES THE CERTIFICATION PROCEDURE GOE INTENDED TO FOLLOW. ALVARO DE SOTO (MARINE SOVEREIGNTY, MOFA) WAS PARTICULARLY INTRIGUED BY THIS APPROACH AND ASKED FOR MORE DETAILS SINCE HE SAYS HE HAS ENCOUNTERED GENERAL RELUCTANCE TO COMPLY WITH COMPLICATED APPLICATION PROCEDURES WHEN IT IS CLAIMED HERE THAT LITTLE OR NO TUNA ARE CAUGHT BY METHODS WHICH ENDANGER PORPOISES. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE GUIDANCE ON APPLICABILITY OF ECUADOREAN PROCEDURE AND DETAILED INSTRUCTIONS ON ADVICE WE CAN GIVE PERUVIANS IF THEY WISH TO FOLLOW SIMILAR ROUTE.
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